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No. 63. Read the following Circular letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to the Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces, and the Punjab; the Chief Commissioners of Oudh, the Central Provinces, British Burmah, and Mysore and Coorg; the Resident at Hyderabad; the Agents to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana; and the Superintendent of Port Blair, dated Simla, 12th July 1871, No. 37—P. W:—

UNDER existing arrangements, the sole information received by Superintending and Chief Engineers of the agreement of actual with estimated cost of work comes from the statements of Objectionable Items which show all excesses or tendencies to excess. This is believed to be sufficient for all ordinary works, but in cases of large projects, such as railways and canals which each require division into two or more executive charges for their construction, the Governor-General in Council, I am to say, considers it expedient that the Superintending and Chief Engineers, who have the supervision of the projects, should be kept informed of the current expenditure, as compared with the estimates, more fully than is now done, especially as this might enable those officers to watch closely the accuracy of the distribution or incidence of the expenditure.

2. I am, therefore, directed to suggest that the Superintending and Chief Engineers concerned, and the Controller of Public Works Accounts, may be desired to discuss the subject, and submit definite proposals as to the form and details and periods in which this information should be supplied, and to request that these proposals may be forwarded to the Government of India with the comments and opinions of the Chief and Superintending Engineer, and of any selected Executive Engineers whom it may be deemed expedient to consult.

3. A reply is expected before the 1st October next.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 7th August 1871, No. 2,040.

ACCOUNT, No. 12.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineers for an expression of their opinion as to the manner in which the orders of the Government of India can best be carried out in this Presidency in respect to large works of irrigation and navigation.

2. When work registers exist, *i.e.*, in cases in which works are carried out departmentally, no difficulty need be experienced in giving effect to the contemplated arrangement. When works are executed by contract the necessary details should be forthcoming from the contract certificates, and the work actually executed may thus, in all cases, be easily compared with the rate, quantity, and cost provided for each item in a sanctioned estimate.

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Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, Controller of Public Works
To Major R. B. Kennedy.

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